A.—Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA (Deputy Minister for Minor Irrigation).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) About 1,000 acres in Jigijiwani village.

(*c*) About 223 acres.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ಗುರಡ್ಡಿ.—ಈ ಕೆರೆಗೆ ಆಗುವ ಖರ್ಚು ಎಷ್ಟು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆಲೂರು ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ.—9,91,865 ರೂಪಾಯಿಗೆ ಅಂದಾಜಾಗಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ಗುರಡ್ಡಿ.—ಹೋದವರ್ಷ ಈ ಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಬಡ್ಜೆಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇರಿಸಿ ಈ ವರ್ಷ ಸೇರಿಸದಿರಲು ಕಾರಣವೇನು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆಲೂರು ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ.—ಇನ್ನೂ ಮುಂಜೂರಾತಿ ಆಗಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ಗುರಡ್ಡಿ.—ಈ ಒಡ್ಡಿನ ಎತ್ತರ ಎಷ್ಟು ?

Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA.—As regards the height, I have no information.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣ್ಣ ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ.—ಅವರು ಕೇಳುವುದು, ಅಂದಾಜು ತಯಾರಾಗಿದ್ದ ಮೇಲೆ, ಅದರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಎಷ್ಟು ಎಂದು ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—It need not be answered. I do not want any interpreter. We must build very healthy conventions.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪಿ. ರೇವಣ್ಣ ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ.—ಇದು ಹೋದ ವರ್ಷದ ಬಡ್ಜೆಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇರಿದ್ದು ಈ ವರ್ಷ ಬಿಟ್ಟು ಹೋಗಲು ಕಾರಣವೇನು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆಲೂರು ಹನುಮಂತಪ್ಪ.—ಕೆಲವು ವೇಳೆ ಮುಂಜೂರಾಗಿಲ್ಲದ ಕೆಲಸಗಳನ್ನೂ ಸೇರಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ, ಆದರೆ ಅಂದಾಜು ಒಪ್ಪಿಗೆಯಾದ ಹೊರತು ಬಡ್ಜೆಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇರಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕವಕಾಶವಿಲ್ಲ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Sri Guraddi may put Question No. 391 on behalf of Sri J. L. Kabadi.

Removing the Tax on Leather Industry

*Q.—391. Sri S. M. GURADDI (Muddebihal) [on behalf of SRI J. L. KABADI (Baradol)].—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the action taken by them on the representation received from the people engaged in foot-wear industry in Bijapur and other parts, requesting to remove the tax on foot-wears ;

(*b*) the reasons for levying the tax on foot-wears which work is considered to be a village industry ;

(*c*) whether they are aware that Commercial Tax Officer has levied taxes on them arbitrarily when they have not been able to maintain accounts on account of illiteracy ;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that the suggestion of All India Leather Industries Conference convened on behalf of Government of India that no taxes should be levied on Leather Industries has been communicated to this State Government ;

(*e*) if so, the action taken in this regard ?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Finance).—

(*a*) The request for removing the tax on foot-wear is under examination with reference to the position in other neighbouring States.

(*b*) Tax has been levied only on such of those engaged in the foot-wear industry whose annual turnover was found to be not less than Rs. 7,500 and who have not obtained recognition certificate from the Commissioner of Commercial Taxes under Entry 28 of the Fifth Schedule in order to be eligible for exemption. The levy of tax in such cases is in accordance with the provisions of the Mysore Sales Tax Act, 1957 and the Rules thereunder.

(*c*) No. If, however, what is meant is that the Commercial Tax Officer has made assessments to the best of his judgment in the absence of accounts, then there may be such cases, as the law requires the assessing authority to make best judgment assessments in cases where accounts are either not maintained or found unacceptable.

(*d*) The suggestion of the Foot-wear Sub-Committee of the Development Council for Leather of the Leather Goods and Pickers Industries Conference convened by the Government of India to the effect that Sales tax on Small Scale and Cottage Units or artisans engaged in the production of leather goods be removed has been received.

(*e*) Government have replied to the Central Government that there is

adequate provision in the Mysore Sales Tax Act, 1957 providing for exemption of small scale producers of leather goods.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ಗುರಡ್ಡಿ.—ಖಾದಿ ಮತ್ತು ಗ್ರಾಮೋದ್ಯೋಗಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯಿಂದ ಚರ್ಮದ ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಒಂದು ವರದಿಯನ್ನು ತರಿಸಿರುವುದಾಗಿ ಹೇಳಿದಿರಿ, ಆ ವರದಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಏನಿದೆ ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—That is a big report. The Government of India have appointed a sub-committee. The committee made some suggestions and we have given our replies to the Committee.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Will Government implement the promise made to this House in 1960 in regard to the levy of Sales-tax on leather goods ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—I did not follow.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—The then Finance Minister held out a promise during the debate that leather goods should not be taxed. Will the Government consider the feasibility and possibility of giving effect to this promise made by them in the year 1960 ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—As per the promise, exemption is given to such leather goods, provided a certificate is got from the Khadi Board to the Commissioner of Commercial Taxes.

Sri J. P. SARVESH.—May I know whether leather goods come under the category of Cottage Industries or not ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Wherever it comes under cottage industries, Government will give exemption under Rule 20.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Did not the Chairman of the Khadi Board make a representation to the Government that leather industry coming under Gramodyog should be exempted ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—I have already replied that if it comes under exemption clause, Government will give exemption.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—I want to know whether there is any request from the Chairman of the Khadi Board of the State to exempt all those leather goods which are coming under Gramodyog.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—He has to certify and the Commissioner has to accept.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ಗುರಡ್ಡಿ.—ಇದುವರೆಗೆ ಈ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವ ನಿರ್ಣಯವನ್ನೂ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳದೆ ಇರಲು ಕಾರಣವೇನು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಡಿ. ಜತ್ತಿ.—29 ಜನರು ಅರ್ಜಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆ, ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ 19 ತೀರ್ಮಾನವಾಗಿವೆ, ಇನ್ನು 10 ತೀರ್ಮಾನವಾಗಿಲ್ಲ.

Conversion of Konahalli (Tiptur-Dudda) Road into a Public Works Department Road.

*Q.—396. Sri H. R. KESHAVA MURTHY (Gandasi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) when Konahalli (Tiptur-Dudda) road was converted into a P.W.D. road ;

(*b*) the total amount spent on that road so far as (1) recurring and (2) non-recurring expenditure ;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that estimates for cross drainage works are not being sanctioned by the Executive Engineer ;

(*d*) the reason for the delay to take up cross-drainage works ;

(*e*) whether it has come to their notice that the road is not fit for traffic ;

(*f*) whether they will take urgent steps to make the road fit for traffic ;

(*g*) whether they would consider the desirability of converting this road into a ore-carrying road ?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works).—

(*a*) March 1959.
(*b*) (i) Recurring ... Rs. 20,975
(ii) Non-recurring Rs. 31,400
(*c*) No.
(*d*) No delay.
(*e*) Yes.
(*f*) Yes.
(*g*) No.

Sri H. R. KESHAVAMURTHY.—Will the Government kindly enlighten me when the estimates for the cross-drainage works were sent and when they were sanctioned ?

†Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—To the question asking the reasons for the delay, the reply given is 'no'.

† Indicates that the remarks or speeches have not been revised by the member concerned.